

Local Happenings.

Mrs. W. J. Rudge is visiting in Concord.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Sikes returned Saturday from the World's Fair. Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Neal left this morning for the World's Fair.

Everything will be closed at the Oil Mill on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. Davis Armfield and Miss Pattie Lee are visiting in Albemarle.

The Friday Afternoon Book Club will meet with Mrs. D. A. Covington Friday afternoon at 3:30.

There are now fifty-two hands on the chain gang, the largest number in some time.

Mr. W. J. Pratt of New York has come to Monroe for his health. He is boarding at Miss Caldwell's.

Miss Ethel Moore is visiting the family of her father-in-law, Mr. D. F. Moore, at Plains.

Miss Ethel Johnson of Mecklenburg is visiting Mrs. W. T. Whitfield.

Mr. E. W. Griffin left this morning for the West to buy stock for the Union Trade and Live Stock Company.

Mr. Sam Long, son of Squire W. G. Long, has been compelled to return from Wake Forest College on account of his health.

The vote of Mr. R. R. Redwine for representative at south Monroe precinct was incorrectly stated last week. It was 153, instead of 123.

Mr. P. H. Biggers of Concord is visiting in town. He has lately sold out his business in Concord and has not yet decided where he will go.

Mrs. Maggie Sturdivant, who had been in Mississippi with her daughter for some time, returned home last week. She will teach at Brief, in Goose Creek.

Mr. Henry W. Pusser, who has for a long time run a store at Zear, is preparing to move to Chesterfield, where he will merchandise and farm.

Ed Redfean, son of Watt Redfean, colored, who works for Mr. E. C. Williams, accidentally shot and killed himself this morning, while out hunting on Brown creek. No particulars of the accident have yet been received here.

Squire A. C. Johnson performed two marriage ceremonies Sunday. They were Mr. E. H. Price to Mrs. Thetis Griffin, and Mr. Isaac Cooper to Miss Mary E. Simpson, at the residence of the bride's father in north Monroe.

On the night of December the second there will be a fine musical entertainment in the opera house, for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church. The entertainment will be given by Charlotte parties.

The crib of Mr. Sanford King, who lives two miles west of Waxhaw, was burned Friday night. Mr. King had just finished putting 300 bushels of corn in the crib on Friday, and all of it was lost. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mr. N. S. Matthews, who lately sold out to Mr. A. J. Price at Wardlaw, will move, with his mother, to Monroe the first of January. They will board with Mr. R. W. Lemmond. Mr. Matthews will probably go into the real estate business.

Messrs. T. J. Payne and J. C. Sikes, Jr., left yesterday for Mt. Airy, where Mr. Payne will be married this evening to Miss Sadie Yokley of that place. Mr. Sikes is best man. Mr. Payne will bring his bride directly to Monroe and they will board at the Central for the present.

A very sad death of one of the young men students of Wingate occurred Sunday night. It was that of Mr. Vann Allen of Steele's Mills. Last Wednesday night he was taken violently ill, apparently with appendicitis. He was carried to St. Peter's in Charlotte and died Sunday night. He was a bright young man and greatly liked by his fellow students.

Miss Ellen Elizabeth Howey will be married at nine o'clock this evening at the home of her mother, on Lafayette street, to Mr. Joel E. Fowler of Georgia. There will be a reception from nine to eleven, and the couple will leave on the midnight train. Miss Howey is a pretty and popular young lady and has many friends to wish her much happiness. The groom is in the employ of the Southern, and the couple will live at Taylor, S. C.

Squire V. T. Cheers, chairman of the county board of elections, went to Norwood last Thursday, and, with the chairman from Stanley, Anson and Davidson, canvassed the vote for senators from this district. Squire Cheers was made chairman of the body. The total vote in the four counties was: Williams, 5,769; Coxe, 5,712—both Democrats; Wall, 3,370; Stone, 3,385. The latter two Republicans.

There will be a Thanksgiving and praise service at the Presbyterian church on Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock. The service will be conducted by Rev. W. E. Watson. It is hoped that this service may become a permanent feature of the churches of the city each Thanksgiving Day. A cordial invitation is given to all to attend. This service will not conflict with the service in the churches in the evening.

If you want to please your best girl, mother, or anyone, give them a photograph made by Boyce Boyce's photographs please everybody. Prices 50 c. k.

Mr. Howard McLarty of Charlotte, of this township, was accidentally shot in the arm in the hardware store of the Allen Hardware Company of Charlotte Saturday morning. Mr. McLarty went in the store for the purpose of buying a shovel and coal scuttle, and was standing in the back part of the store, about 40 feet away from Mr. Cathey, who was showing a pistol to a railroad man. Mr. Cathey was snapping the pistol, which was of .38-calibre, to show its action, when it was discharged, the bullet entering Mr. McLarty's arm between the elbow and the shoulder. The flesh of the arm was penetrated, and though the wound gave considerable pain, it was found not to be dangerous. Mr. McLarty was standing with his back to Mr. Cathey, in such a manner that when the bullet left the pistol, a step to the front would have caused him to miss it altogether, while a backward step, perhaps, would have given him a fatal wound.

A young man, J. C. Bowden, of a prominent family, hired a horse and buggy at a livery stable in Charlotte Saturday to drive one horse. Instead of going back he drove to Monroe and stopped at Sikes' stables, and acted in such a way and told such a story as to arouse the suspicion of Mr. V. D. Sikes, who was in charge. The young man first represented himself as Mr. Wadsworth of Charlotte, then as someone else, and offered to sell the horse and buggy for \$40. Mr. Sikes got out and phoned to Charlotte to Mr. Lemmond, a livery man there, who owned the horse, and was requested to have the young man held. He was put in jail, and on next day, through his attorney, Mr. J. C. Sikes, Jr., succeeded in compromising the case, by paying damages to the owner of the horse. To pay up the cost of his escapade, he telegraphed to his father at Wilmington for money, which was sent.

Saturday three weeks ago, a quiet boy, apparently 12 years of age, walked into the express office and asked for change for \$5. Mr. H. D. Browning handed out the change, the boy laid a bill on the counter and went out. The bill was wadded up, and on opening it Mr. Browning found it to be a \$20 bill instead of a \$5 one. He went out to call the boy, but the latter had already disappeared. Mr. Browning said nothing, but thought the boy would surely discover his mistake and come back, but he has not done so. It is hard to explain how any boy, few of whom at that age handle much money, should have a \$20 bill and think it \$5. Mr. Browning says he will know the boy when he sees him, and if he will come up he can get his \$15.

The marriage of Miss Onie Lee Rodman to Mr. Ernest Lee Brown occurs at six o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents at Waxboro, this evening. The attendants are Miss Isabel Stacy, maid of honor; Miss Margaret McMillan of Aycoth, Ga.; Miss Elizabeth McClintock of Charlotte and Miss Pearl Rodman, sister of the bride, bridesmaids. Mr. C. H. Rosebro of Cleveland and Sherrill of Mount Ulla will act as groomsmen. Miss Annie Sanders of Wingate will preside at the piano, and Miss Elma Warburton of Rockingham will render a solo.

Mrs. Catherine Dooley died Sunday morning at her home in Monroe. She was 71 years old and a devout member of the Catholic church. She was stricken with paralysis last Thursday night.

Father Francis of Charlotte came down Friday morning and administered the last sacraments. The body was interred at Charlotte, from St. Peter's church, where requiem mass was celebrated. Mrs. Dooley leaves two sons, Mr. James Dooley of Wilmington and Mr. P. M. Dooley of Monroe, and two daughters, Miss Maggie Dooley and Mrs. C. A. Tenant of Monroe.

The silver tea given by the auxiliary of the Baptist church at the residence of Mr. C. H. Richardson, Friday night, was well patronized, and the ladies realized \$38 on the piano fund. Fourteen ladies represented as many different books, and a souvenir was offered the one guessing the greatest number. Miss Ruth Williams, daughter of Mr. J. H. Williams, won the prize, guessing every one correctly.

Rev. Dr. Rowe and family leave tomorrow for Salisbury. No man has ever lived here who carried away more of the good wishes of the people than Dr. Rowe, and the departure of none has caused more general regret.

Rev. F. W. Bradley, who has been returned to the Monroe circuit, is received with pleasure by his several congregations for another year. He is an earnest and useful minister, much beloved by his people.

Douglas Leftwich in opera house next Thursday evening. Tickets on sale at Shute's. Prices 25 and 50 cents. Special price of 15 cents to graded school children.

Buy your raisins, currants, dates and citron from W. A. Stewart & Bro. Right fresh and the best made.

If you want a good hearty laugh, one with no dissatisfaction and pang of regret after it is over, go to hear Douglas Leftwich next Thursday evening.

Dr. H. Smith, eyesight specialist of Monroe, N. C., will visit Marshallville Saturday, Nov. 20th, at hotel one day only.

Another car load of New York cabbage will arrive about the last of this week. They will be sold cheap. A. C. Johnson.

Best homemade molasses, made by T. F. James. L. S. Helms.

Talking With The People

"I saw six bales of cotton brought in on one wagon this morning," said a gentleman yesterday. "And," he continued, "it used to break a wagon down to haul two on it."

"You ought to write often in your paper," said Dr. J. C. Rowe to the writer, "about the way a good many people treat their stock. Many men bring their horses to town, tie them up with the harness on all day, without food or water, seeming to think that these faithful creatures have no feeling. It is a shame to a man to mistreat or neglect his horse."

Pretty soon after this conversation the same writer met Rev. Dr. Higgs of the Episcopal church, and his mind was on the same subject. "I have just come across the best story I ever saw," said he. "It is about the love the Japanese soldiers have for their horses. We say that these men are pagans, but I tell you that a man who can act towards his horse as the soldier did has some of the elements of the true belief in him."

The story is published on the first page.

"I don't admire W. J. Bryan in many respects," said Dr. W. B. Houston after the landslide, "but I believe he is the biggest and truest man in any party in this country, and that the country will know it, too, some day."

Here are some more after-election reflections. This brother had the

"Once upon a midnight dreary, As I pondered weak and weary—

feeling as he went home on the night of election, after hearing that it was all up. So he wrote:

"Roosevelt is elected, Ah! it might be said: 'Count it as he had done.' In the Southern land,

White man in the store-room, Four 'niggers' on the farm; Count it as he had done, In his livery arm.

Cuffy on Main street, Picking his guitar; Count it as he had done, Next to his presence, Next is in the air.

White man in the smith shop, Hammering on the steel; Count it as he had done, Next to the city, Keeping very well.

White man in the store room, Handling out the flour; Count it as he had done, Next to the voting place, Tossing out the power.

White lady in the kitchen, Sweating pots and kettles; Count it as he had done, Next to the highway, Playing off the fiddles.

White lady at the wash place, Scrubbing on the board; Count it as he had done, Next to the road, Driving up the road.

Count it, won't you work for me? No, man, no! Roosevelt is in the White House, I am it, you know."

Not in the history of this good county has it been blessed with a poet laureate. We have, on divers occasions, felt the need of one.

"Tis true, we have occasionally had a song that showed a limited amount of genius. Indeed, the files of The Journal will show a number of such. But not before have we had one of surpassing talent. Who is it? That is a small matter. What difference does it make as to the mere name that a poet may have, provided he have the poetry? If it were a matter of any consequence, we might say that his name is Houston—D. A. But what's the use of talk of that? The important fact is, that we now have a poet laureate, and The Journal promises to prod him up to singing often.

"I have lately travelled by private conveyance in several adjoining counties in this State and South Carolina," said Squire V. T. Cheers yesterday, "and nowhere have I seen such evidence of improvement, thrift and prosperity as I see in Union."

"You'd be surprised," said Mr. S. O. Blair, "to know the amount of money that is dropped into this little box," as a bystander tried to count the nickels and dimes in the little cradle which sets as a collection box on the drug store show-case. The little box is suggestive. Made in the shape of a tiny cradle, it rocks back and forth holding the picture of a little child, with outstretched arms, saying, "Help find me a home." At Greensboro there is a society which does this, finds homes for homeless children. It is not an orphanage, but the society simply finds the little waifs and provides them with homes in good and childless families. These box collections go to help pay the expense. If every man who stops during the next month to buy a cigar, will drop something into the little cradle, it will be running over.

"I never saw farm labor so scarce," said Mr. M. A. Walters on Saturday. "Up until right recently I never had any trouble in getting help. I have always made the rule to give a job to every man who came my way if I could do so without actual loss, and in that way I managed to get plenty of help when I needed it. But this is no longer so. They don't come."

"You'd be surprised," said Mr. R. A. Morrow, "to know how much tobacco is used in this county. Now, we don't claim to sell but about half that is sold, and we have shipped here already this year four solid car loads and enough in broken cars to make two more. All this was worth about \$60,000. You can see from this that Union county consumes a lot of it."

"I call attention to the fact," said Mr. E. A. Armfield, that the Armfield precinct, in Buford township, is the banner Democratic box of the county. There Mr. Roose-

Home Made

Have your cake, muffins, and tea biscuit home-made. They will be fresher, cleaner, more tasty and wholesome.

Royal Baking Powder helps the housewife to produce at home, quickly and economically, fine and tasty cake, the raised hot-biscuit, puddings, the frosted layer-cake, crisp cookies, crullers, crusts and muffins, with which the ready-made food found at the bake-shop or grocery does not compare.

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velt received only two votes, and the Republican candidates for the legislature received none."

"The development of the country store business in this county has been wonderful," said a merchant who keeps up with the business. "There must now be forty country stores in the county, and every one of them is doing well. They now have a little advantage over the retail trade of the same class in town. They can buy from jobbers at the same price, and have less expense."

"The last one of the old darkeys of our neighborhood, died last night," said Squire Henry McWhorter of Wilson's Old Store yesterday. "It was old Aunt Jane Nelson. She was a good old woman and well liked by the white people."

Country Merchants! Save your money by buying apples from me. Thirteen good full pecks in a barrel for \$2.65. Sound apples; good eating. John R. Simpson & Co.

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Entertainment Thursday Night.

Dr. W. W. Landrum of Atlanta says of Mr. Douglas Leftwich, who appears in the opera house here next Thursday night: "Mr. Douglas Leftwich, whom I have been glad for years to number among my personal friends, gives such an entertainment as thoroughly fills my capacity for an evening's pleasure. His soul throbs in his songs and stories, and it is a jolly, healthy soul that makes itself catching. Though by accident of birth a Virginian, which some folks think mighty lucky for him, Mr. Leftwich can transform himself at will into the oldtime darkey, and whether he warbles strains of sentiment, or turns himself loose in a negro dialect ballad, he always finds me immediately and heartily responsive. Long may he make folks laugh and grow fat."

Not a Sick Day Since. "I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of rheumatism, neuralgia, liver and kidney troubles and general debility." This is what R. F. Bass of Fremont, N. C., writes. Only 50c at English Drug Co.'s.

50 Cases of the best tomatoes that money can buy, at 10c per can. Three good 3-lb. cans tomatoes for 25c. M. C. Broom.

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Just arrived 30 cases of apple butter, preserves, jellies, relishes; sweet, mixed and sour pickles. They have to be sold. Give me your order. M. C. Broom.

Oysters for Thanksgiving! Hand in your orders now for Thanksgiving oysters. We want to have a plenty on hand. John R. Simpson & Co.

"Such a store as you have! Just like a big city place," said a traveling man at our store. We have anything you want. John R. Simpson & Co.

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Respectfully, McRAE MERCANTILE COMPANY, Phone 45.

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I have now moved into my new store, three doors from the Post Office. Here you will find one of the nicest lines of Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, and Chinaware that was ever shown in Monroe. It will be to the interest of every one to come and look and get my prices before buying.

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